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Earl L. Butz was born in Noble County, Indiana, July 3, 1909, and reared on a 250-acre general livestock farm near Albion, Indiana. He was awarded a B.S. degree at Purdue University in 1932, and a Ph. D. degree at the same University in 1937. He also studied economics at the University of Chicago.

Mr. Butz was research economist on the staff of the Federal Land Bank, Louisville, Kentucky, in 1935-36. He joined the staff of Purdue University in 1937 as instructor in agricultural economics and advanced progressively until 10 years later when he became head of the University's Department of Agricultural Economics. In this position for eight years, he gained much experience in agricultural leadership and farm economics, before leaving Purdue, August 1, 1954, to become Assistant Secretary of Agriculture in charge of Marketing and Foreign Agriculture. He is also on the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Mr. Butz is widely known and active in economic fields that bear on agricultural credit, finance and farm management. In 1944, he was research economist for The Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., conducting farm credit studies. He served, in 1944-45, on the research staff of the National Bureau of Economic Research. He lectured before the School of Banking, University of Wisconsin, from 1946 to 1953, and the Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers University from 1949 to 1955.

Among the memberships held by Mr. Butz in economic, agricultural and scientific organizations are the American Farm Economics Association (vice president in 1948, and secretary-treasurer in 1953-54); American Association of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (vice president in 1952); Indiana Academy of Social Sciences (vice president in 1948), and the Academy of Political Science.

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